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1. Wisnar Shipyard

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reports that during 1952 he observed very impressive shipyard installations in Wisnar. There were large shipbuilding sheds extending almost to Wendorf (near Wisnar). Another source reports that Wisnar is being continually expanded. The docks on the west side of the harbor area are laid out on a large scale. At least four large shipbuilding sheds have been erected. In 1951 this second source saw at least three small Russian submarines enter the harbor. These left after a short stay in Wisnar. This source reports that Wisnar is to be expanded to become the largest East Zone harbor.

2. Poel Isle (East side of Wisnar Bay)

The Insel Poel is strongly fortified and has been declared a restricted area.

3. Wustrow Rerik

The peninsula has been completely evacuated of civilians and important military installations have been erected along the coast. The former navigation school has been replaced by an important weapons school.

4. Kostoci - Karmenwende

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reports that in 1951 and 1952, he saw on the quay of the "Glueckauf Coal Company" in the inner harbor, oversized crates of goods to be loaded onto Russian vessels. Two new rotary cranes with a lifting capacity of about 25 tons were used for this purpose. South of Karmenwende on the land of the former Meinel works, he also observed extensive construction work and excavations being carried out, apparently slips and dry docks under construction. At that time (winter of 1952), the Leptun shipyard was working exclusively for the Russians. Two ships of between one and two thousand tons and three or four Russian naval vessels of a minesweeper type were being repaired there.

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5. Stettin

The marshy area on both sides of the Oder in the vicinity of the Stettin Harbor has been filled in with rubble. A railway installation for coal trains has been erected here which is supposed to be used for the transportation of ten million tons of coal per year for export. The main items transhipped at the harbor are Upper Silesian coal and ore from Sweden.

There is only one dock at the Oderwerft. The quay installations there have fallen into disrepair. Observer saw mostly Russian steamers of medium size tied up there.

The Poles plan to erect 75 electric cranes in the Stettin harbor area by the end of 1955 1/.

6. Pillau

Between 20 and 24 V-weapon launching bases are said to be located along the coast between Pillau and Fischhausen 2/. The entire area around Pillau is closely guarded. Only under exceptional circumstances may persons who are working there go to Koenigsberg. Several S-boats arrived at Pillau from Warnemuende with groups of female Sea Police on board. These women were to take training courses in Pillau and Leningrad. They wore blue uniforms. (No date given).

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COMMENT:

Stettin, contrary to various press reports, can never play the role of an important naval base.

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COMMENT:

Undoubtedly coastal rocket protection. Frequently confused with V-weapons.